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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

BENOIT et al.

Serial No. 09/240,675

Filed: February 2, 1999

For: AN ISOLATED PEPTIDE OR

POLYPEPTIDE OF THE EXTRACELLULAR PORTION OF THE HUMAN INTERFERON RECEPTOR

(IFN-R)

Examiner: DEVI, Sarvamangala J.N.

Art Group No.: 1645

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant has considered the Final Office Action mailed 16 July 2003 and requests reconsideration of the claims in light of the amendment and remarks herein. Accompanying this response is a Notice of Appeal of the rejected claims. A Petition for Extension of Time and the requisite fee under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), extending the period for response by one month, are being submitted concurrently herewith. This Response is therefore timely filed on 17 November 2003.

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS begin on page 2.

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION begin on page 4.

REMARKS begin on page 7.

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Group Art Unit: 1645

Serial No. 09/240,675

Examiner: S. Devi

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For: MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES AGAINST THE INTERFERON RECEPTOR WITH NEUTRALIZING ACTIVITY AGAINST TYPE I INTERFERON

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 in the above-identified application.

- [] Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity statement previously submitted.
 - [X] Declaration of Julia ANDRAL-ZIURYS, U.S. Patent Attorney.
 - [X] Figures 2A, 2B, 3A, and 3B.
 - [X] Bound original Annexes 1-21.
 - [X] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims As Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Present		Rate		Addi	tional Claims Fee
Total Claims:	5		5	=	. 0	х	\$18.00	=	, 1	\$0.00
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First presentation	of any Multi	- iple D	ependent Clai	ims:		+	\$280.00	=		\$0.00
					CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:					\$84.00

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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\$110.00	\$110.00	Extension for response filed within the first month:		
\$0.00	\$400.00	Extension for response filed within the second month:		
\$0.00	\$920.00	Extension for response filed within the third month: \$920.00		
\$0.00	\$1,440.00	Extension for response filed within the fourth month: \$1,440.00		
\$0.00	\$1,960.00	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	. []	
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- [] Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$0.00 A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
 - [X] A check in the amount of \$194.00 is enclosed.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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